AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1 at line 2, immediately after the title, "IMIDAZOLINE DERIVATIVES HAVING CB₁ ANTAGONISTIC ACTIVITY," please insert the following paragraph:

This application is a National Stage Application based on International Application No. PCT/EP2005/050680, filed February 16, 2005, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. U.S. 60/545,484, filed February 19, 2004, the contents of each of which are herein incorporated by reference.